

## JOHN DUKE

John Duke was born in Albany, N. Y. When he was a small boy his father joined the L. D. S. Church and in 1840, the family left New York for Nauvoo, reaching there two months later. The father, a brick mason by trade, had to work along the way, and John and his brother James helped with the work. While they were in Commerce, the father was called on a mission to Delaware; during this time the Prophet Joseph Smith was killed. Because of illness, John's father and mother were forced to remain in Nauvoo when most of the people left. The mob came and told them they had to leave. The family talked to the mob of the danger of moving the sick people, but the mob replied, "That is good enough for a Mormon." A sister and her husband, William Jones, came with a wagon and horses and helped to move the Duke family to Benton's Fort, where they pitched their tent and lived about a year. In the spring of 1850, the family started for Utah in the Bennett Company, arriving in Salt Lake City on September 22, 1850, within one year the family moved to Provo. John's father and brothers owned a brick kiln. Many of the first homes in Provo were built from the brick made in the Duke kiln.

When John was married he was called by President Young to go back and meet some of the Saints who were coming to Utah. He was one of the riders of the pony express. John Duke and his family came to what is now the town of Heber about 1859 where they built a brick kiln north of the town. Later John gave a large tract of his land to the town of Heber for a cemetery. At one time John and his brother Robert carried a plow from Provo to Heber City, walking all the way. John died November 4, 1919 at Heber, at the age of 85.

—Ethel Johnson, granddaughter.

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Mary E. Walker Dillon

Mrs. Mary Ellen Walker Dillon, 84, 256 W. 5th South, died Friday at 1:50 p.m. at her home of causes incident to age.

Mrs. Dillon was born March 30, 1863, in Springfield, a daughter of William Henry and Walker. She was married to Edward F. Dillon in 1885 in Heber and they later homesteaded on the Provo river. In 1909 they moved to Salt Lake City from Provo. Mr. Dillon, who was born in 1834.



She is survived by two sons and four daughters, Edward W. Dillon, Los Angeles; William Perry Dillon, Salt Lake City; Mrs. Anna Tingrey, Mrs. Dora Sawyer, Mrs. Cora Papworth, and Mrs. Alice McWhorter, all of Salt Lake City; six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Rose Speer, Oakland, Cal., and Mrs. Clara Baldwin, Salt Lake City; and three brothers, Roy Walker, Salt Lake City; Sidney Walker, Rio Linda, Cal.; and James Walker, Emmett, Ida. Mrs. Dillon was a member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

Draper Giles

Nellie Casper = dau of John Rueben

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